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SUPERFUND PROGRAM MANAGEMENT BRANCH 5HS-11 SUPERFUND PROGRAM U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY.

MANAGEMENT, BRANCH

230 SOUTH DEARBORN ST. CHICAGO, IL. 60604

Albion Metal Products was sold in January of 1983. The company of Albion Metal Products occupied the location at "C" DR. and 29 MI. RD. in Albion, MMI. from the years of 1964 to 1983.

During this time the company produced steel, stainless steel, and aluminium fabrication tions, there was never Hazardous Substances used in the production of it"s products.

Any waste paper, wood, ect. was burned in our own incinerator and only the ashes were taken to the dump that was provided by the City Of Albion. All our steel scrap was sold to scrap companies.

The land and building were sold to K.D.I. Inc. who now Mfg. products at the above mentioned location. The equipment was sold to Metal Products Of Albion who are now located at the East end of Albion.

Since retiring and selling every thing I have not kept close contact with either business mentioned above.

Sincerely Yours,

Former Pres. - Albion Metal Products

For verification of the above statement listed below are two former employees of Albion Metal Products.

IAMES BROOKS

DAGMAR D. MCKINNEY, NOTARY PUBLIC JACKSON COUNTY, STATE OF MICHIGAN MY COMMISSION EXPIRES ON 06-09-92



SUPERFUND PRODRAM MANAGEMENT BRANCH



### UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

### REGION 5

# 230 SOUTH DEARBORN ST. CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60604

REPLY TO THE ACTION OF 5HS-11

SEP 23 1988

CERTIFIED MAIL

ALBION METAL PRODUCTS C/O RICHARD YOUNG, REG. AGENT "C"DRIVE AND 29 MILE ROAD ALBION, MI 49224

RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Re: Request for Information Pursuant to Section 104(e) of CERCLA and Section 3007 of RCRA, for Albion-Sheridan Township Landfill, Calhoun County, Michigan.

Dear Sir or Madam:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) is currently investigating the source, extent and nature of the release or threatened release of hazardous substances, pollutants or contaminants on or about the Albion-Sheridan Township Landfill, Calhoun County, Michigan. This investigation requires inquiry into the generation, storage, treatment and disposal of such substances that have been or threaten to be released at the Site. U.S. EPA is also investigating the ability of persons connected with the Site, to pay for or perform a clean-up of the Site.

Pursuant to the authority of Section 104(e) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. ₹ 9604(e), amended by Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986, Pub. L. 99-499, and pursuant to Section 3007 of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), 42 U.S.C. § 6927, you are hereby requested to respond to the Information Requests enclosed. Compliance with the enclosed Information Requests is mandatory. Failure to respond fully and truthfully to each and every Information Request within thirty (30) days of receipt of this letter, or to adequately justify such failure to respond, can result in enforcement action by U.S. EPA pursuant to Section 3008 of RCRA under which U.S. EPA may seek the imposition of penalties of up to twenty-fivethousand dollars (\$25,000) for each day of continued non-compliance, and/ or pursuant to Section 104(e)(5) of CERCLA which, as amended, authorizes the United States to seek penalties from a federal court of up to \$25,000 for each day of continued non-compliance. "Non-compliance" is considered by U.S. EPA to be not only failure to respond to the Requests but also failure to respond completely and truthfully to each Request. Please be further advised that provision of false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or representations may subject you to criminal penalties of up to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) or up to five (5) years of imprisonment or . both under 18 U.S.C. §1001.

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This Information Request is not subject to the approval requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1930, 44 U.S.C. 3501, et seq.

Your response to this Information Request should be mailed to:

Nancy Justus
Superfund Program Management Branch 5HS-11
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
230 South Dearborn Street
Chicago, Illinois 60604

If you have any questions, please direct such questions to Nancy Justus, at (312) 353-9046.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Mary Gade, Acting

Associate Division Director for Superfund

Enclosure

# ALBION-SHERIDAN TOWNSHIP LANNDFILL CALHOUN COUNTY, MICHIGAN

## FIRST SET OF INFORMATION REQUESTS

#### Instructions

- A separate response must be made to each of the questions set forth in this Information Request.
- 2. Precede each answer with the number of the Information Request to which it corresponds.
- 3. In answering each Information Request, identify all contributing sources of information.
- 4. If information is not known or is not available to the respondent as of the date of submission of his/her response, should information later become known by or available to the respondent, respondent must supplement its response to U.S. EPA. Moreover, should the respondent find, at any time after the submission of its response that any portion of the submitted information is false or misrepresents the truth, respondent must notify U.S. EPA thereof as soon as possible.
- 5. For each document produced in response to this Request for Information, indicate on the document, or in some other reasonable manner, the number of the question to which it responds.
- 6. You must respond to the Information Requests on the basis of all information and documents in your possession, custody or control or in the possession, custody or control of your former or current employees, agents, servants, contractors or attorneys. Furnish such information as is available to you, regardless of whether or not it is based on personal knowledge, and regardless of source.

- 7. Your response should be accompanied by a notarized affidavit from a responsible company official or representative stating that a diligent record search has been completed and that there has been a diligent interviewing process with present and former employees who may have knowledge of the operations, hazardous substance use, storage, treatment, disposal or other handling practice of the Respondent between 1945 and 1982. To the extent that any information you provide relating to these Requests is based on your personal knowledge, or the personal knowledge of your employees, agents, or other representatives, this information shall be in the form of a notarized affidavit.
- 8. If any documents requested herein have been transferred voluntarily or involuntarily to others or have been otherwise disposed of, identify each such document, identify the person to whom it was transferred, describe the circumtances surrounding such transfer or other disposition, and state the date or approximate date of such transfer or other disposition.
- 9. The information requested herein must be provided notwithstanding its possible characterization as confidential information or trade secrets. You may, if you desire, assert a business confidentiality claim covering part or all of the information requested, in the manner described by 40 C.F.R. 2.203(b). Information covered by such a claim will be disclosed by the U.S. EPA only to the extent, and only by means of the procedures set forth in 40 C.F.R. Part 2, Subpart B. [See 41 Federal Register 36902 et seq. (September 1, 1976); 43 Federal Register 4000 et seq.

(September 8, 1978); 50 Federal Register 51654 et seq. (December 18, 1935).] If no such claim accompanies the information when it is received by the U.S. EPA, it may be made available to the public by the U.S. EPA without further notice to you. You should read carefully the above-cited regulations, together with the standards set forth in Section 104(e)(7) of CERCLA, before asserting a business confidentiality claim, since certain categories of information are not properly the subject of such a claim, as stated in Section 104(e)(7)(ii) of CERCLA.

### Definitions

For the purpose of the Instructions and Requests for Information set forth herein, the following definitions shall apply:

- The term "you" or "respondent" shall mean the addressee of this Request, the addressee's officers, managers, employees, contractors, trustees, successors, assigns, and agents.
- 2. The term "person" as used herein includes, in the plural as well as the singular, any natural person, firm, contractor, unincorporated association, partnership, corporation, trust or governmental entity, unless the context indicates otherwise.
- 3. "The Site" or "the Facility" shall mean and include the property on or about the Albion-Sheridan Township Landfill, Calhoun County, Michigan.
- 4. The term "hazardous substance" shall have the same definition as that contained in Section 101(14) of CERCLA, including mixtures of hazardous substances with other substances including petroleum products.

- 5. The term, "pollutant" or "contaminant", shall have the same definition as that contained in Section 101(33) of CERCLA.
- 6. The terms, "furnish," "describe," or "identify" or "indicate," shall mean turning over to the U.S. EPA either original or duplicate copies of the requested information in the possession, custody, or control of the Respondent. Where specific information has not been memoralized in any document but is nonetheless responsive to an information request, you must respond to the request with a written response. If such requested information is not in your possession, custody, or control them indicate where such information or documents may be obtained.
  - 7. The term "identify" means, with respect to a natural person, to set forth his full name, present or last known business address, the name of that employer and a description of the job responsibilities of such person.
  - 8. The term "identify" means, with respect to a corporation, partnership, business trust or other association or business entity (including a sole proprietorship) to set forth its full name, address, legal form (e.g. corporation, partnership, etc.), organization, if any, and a brief description of its business.
  - 9. The term "identify" means, with respect to a document, to provide its customary business description, its date, its number if any (invoice or purchase order number), the identity of the author, addressor, addressee and/or recipient, and the substance or the subject matter.

- 10. "Release" means any spilling, leaking, pumping, pouring, emitting, emptying, discharging, injecting, escaping, leaching, dumping, or disposing into the environment including the abandonment or discarding of barrels, containers, and other closed receptacles containing any hazardous substance or pollutant or contaminant.
- ll. "Transaction" means every separate act, deal, instance, or occurrence.
- As used herein, "document" and "documents" shall include writings of any 12. kind, formal or informal, whether or not wholly or partially in handwriting (including by the way of illustration and not by way of limitation), any invoice, receipt, endorsement, check, bank draft, cancelled check, deposit slip, withdrawal slip, order, correspondence, record book, minutes, memorandum of telephone and other conversations including meetings, agreements and the like, diary, calendar, desk pad, scrapbook, notebook, bulletin, circular, form, pamphlet, statement, journal, postcard, letter, telegram, telex, report, notice, message, analysis, comparison, graph, chart, interoffice or intraoffice communications, photostat or other copy of any documents, microfilm or other film record, any photograph, sound recording on any type of device, any punch card, disc or disc pack; any tape or other type of memory generally associated with computers and data processing (together with the programming instructions and other written material necessary to use such punch card, disc, or disc pack, tape or other type of memory and together with printouts of such punch card, disc, or disc pack, video tape or other type of memory); including (a) every copy of each document which is not an exact duplicate of a document which is produced, (b) every copy

- which has any writing, figure or notation, annotation or the like of it, (c) drafts, (d) attachments to or enclosures with any document and (e) every document referred to in any other document.
- 13. "And" as well as "or" shall be construed either disjunctively or conjunctively as necessary to bring within the scope of these information requests any information which might otherwise be construed to be outside their scope.
- 14. The term "property interest" means any interest in property, including, without limitation, any ownership interest, any interest in the rental of property, any interest in a corporation that owns or rents or owned or rented property, and any interest as either the trustee or beneficiary or a trust that owns or rents, or owned or rented property.
- 15. The term "asset" as used herein, includes without limitation the following: real estate, buildings or other improvements to real estate, equipment, vehicles, furniture, inventory, supplies, customer lists, accounts receivable, interests in insurance policies, interests in partnerships, corporations and unincorporated companies, securities, patents, stocks, bonds, and other tangible as well as intangible property.